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## CALIFORNIA MAN SENTENCED FOR METH TRAFFICKING

## PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that STEVEN BISHOP 30, Santa Anna, California, was sentenced to 240 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge John Daniel Tinder following his guilty plea to conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute more than 500 grams of methamphetamine. This case was the result of an investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration.

BISHOP was indicted in January, 2002, for providing multiple pounds of methamphetamine to co-defendant Roscoe Showalter and others, who transported the methamphetamine from the states of California and Nevada into the state of Indiana.

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Showalter entered a plea of guilty, and on April 11, 2003, Showalter was sentenced to 63 months imprisonment, 5 years supervised release, and fined \$500.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Melanie C. Conour, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Tinder also imposed 10 years supervised release following BISHOP's release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, BISHOP must get drug treatment. BISHOP was fined \$1,000.

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